

**Eastern Connecticut State University Senate Resolution
SR 23/24 – 04**

Senate Resolution on Campus Visits for Presidential Searches

WHEREAS Chancellor Cheng notified the ECSU Community on 9/12/23 that he was launching the presidential search process;

WHEREAS the ECSU Community was notified in the CSCU System Office document “Process for the Appointment of a CSCU University President” that no presidential candidate would visit the ECSU campus;

WHEREAS past CSCU policy regarding presidential searches has required finalists to visit CSU campuses to meet faculty, staff, and students **prior** to being offered the position;

WHEREAS this past CSCU policy regarding presidential searches and campus visits has only helped, and not hindered, the search process;

WHEREAS some candidates might be wary of accepting an offer from an institution that they never have visited;

WHEREAS appointing a campus president that the majority of faculty, staff, and students have never met undermines confidence in that candidate, as well as the system office and board which approved such a process;

WHEREAS this new structure of CSCU presidential searches lacks transparency and ECSU is a public institution that requires transparency;

BE IT RESOLVED that all finalists in the ECSU Presidential Search should visit the ECSU campus to meet faculty, staff and students **prior** to being offered the position.



William Lugo, Senate President
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